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Mr. Trevor Joseph, SGM Section Chief STATE OF CALIFORNIA

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
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SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO DEVELOP A GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

Dear Mr. Joseph:

This correspondence, pursuant to California Water Code section 10727.8, serves as a notification of intent to develop a Groundwater Sustainability Plan ("GSP") for the Kings Groundwater Subbasin and as a written statement describing the manner in which interested parties may participate in the development and implementation of the GSP. The GSP will be one of the multiple plans implemented by multiple groundwater sustainability agencies and coordinated pursuant to a single coordination agreement compliant with section 10727.6 that covers the entire basin.

The District will be holding a series of public workshops to discuss the development and implementation of the GSP. The District will also be holding a hearing to adopt the GSP as required by section 10728.4. Interested parties may participate in the development and implementation of the GSP by participating in the public workshops and by participating in the public hearing to adopt the GSP. Interested parties may also contact the Executive Director of the James GSA to request information and provide input on the development and implementation of the GSP.

The dates for the public workshops and the public hearing have not been determined as of this date. It is anticipated that public workshops will be held quarterly during the GSP development and implementation effort. The groundwater sustainability agency will encourage the active involvement of diverse social, cultural, and economic elements of the population within the groundwater basin prior to and during the development and implementation of the GSP. The James GSA may adjust the timing of the public workshops or hold additional public workshops at varying dates and times to facilitate this active involvement.

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The groundwater sustainability agency will appoint and consult with an advisory committee consisting of interested parties for the purposes of developing and implementing the GSP. The advisory committee meetings may coincide with the aforementioned workshops.

The City of San Joaquin lies entirely within the boundaries of the GSA. The GSA also lies within the County of Fresno. This notice is being provided to those legislative bodies in accordance with the requirements of section 10727.8. The only public water system that will be covered by the GSP is operated by the City of San Joaquin and is not regulated by the Public Utilities Commission ("PUC"). Accordingly, the GSA is not providing this notice or a written statement to the PUC.

If you have any questions concerning this notice, please contact Steven Stadler, P.E., Executive Director, by phone at (559) 693-4356, or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:sstadler@jamesid.org">sstadler@jamesid.org</a>.

Sincerely yours,

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**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** 

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James Groundwater Sustainability Agency Interested Parties